GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:72
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2005
FM RADIO STATIONS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of FM Radio Stations in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has decided to allow more FM channels;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is considering to grant concession to companies opting to operate in rural areas; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 72 REGARDING FM RADIO STATIONS

(a) : Presently, 138 FM radio stations of All India Radio and 21 Private FM radio Stations are functioning in the country. Details are given in Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) : Yes, Sir. 113 more new FM stations of All India Radio are also proposed to be set up subject to approval & availability of resources. Besides, 336 FM radio stations in 90 cities across the country will be permitted soon in the Private sector. The details are given in Annexure-II.

(d) & (e) : While the radio stations would be located in the indicated cities, they would also provide service to listeners in the adjoining rural areas within their respective coverage zones. Further, if the rural areas are part of cities which fall under categories of C and D, the private companies concerned will get the incentive of networking unlike in the case of cities which fall under A and B categories.

Annexure-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 72 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.7.2005 LIST OF EXISTING FM RADIO STATIONS /Trs. (138 Nos.)

Andhra Pradesh

1. Anantpur 6 kW

2. Kothagudam 6 kW

3. Kurnool 6 kW

4. Markapuram 6 kW

5. Nizamabad 6 kW
6. Tirupati 3 kW, 10 kW

7 Warangal 10 kW

8. Hyderabad 6 kW

9. Vishakhapatnam 10 kW

Assam

10. Haflong 6 kW
11. Jorhat 10 kW
12. Nowgong 6 kW
13. Dhubri 6 kW
14. Guwahati 10 kW

Bihar

15. Purnea 6 kW
16. Sasaram 6 kW
17. Patna 6 kW

Chhattisgarh

18. Bilaspur 6 kW
19. Raigarh 6 kW
20. Raipur 1 kW (Interim set-up)
21. Saraipalli 1 kW

Delhi

22. Delhi 5 kW, 10 kW

Goa

23. Panaji 6 kW

Gujarat

24. Godhra 6 kW
25. Ahmedabad 10 kW
26. Surat 6 kW
27. Rajkot 10 kW
28. Vadodra 10 kW

Haryana

29. Hissar 6 kW
30. Kurukshetra 6 kW

Himachal Pradesh

31. Hamirpur 6 kW
32. Dharamshala 10 kW
33. Kasauli 10 kW
34. Kullu 6 kW
35. Shimla 1 kW (Intrim Setup)

Jammu & Kashmir

36. Jammu 3 kW, 10 kW
37. Kathua 10 kW
38. Poonch 6 kW
39. Srinagar 10 kW
40. Bhadarwah 6 kW
41. Rajouri 10 kW

Jharkhand

42. Chaibasa 6 kW
43 Hazaribagh 6 kW
44. Daltonganj 10 kW
45. Jamshedpur 6 kW
46. Ranchi 6 kW

Karnataka

47. Bijapur 6 kW
48. Chitradurga 6 kW
49. Hospet 10 kW
50. Karwar 3 kW
51. Raichur 6 kW
52. Hassan 6 kW
53. Mercara 6 kW
54. Bangalore 10 kW, 10 kW
55. Mysore 10 kW
56. Dharwar 10 kW
57. Mangalore 10 kW
58. Bellary 1 kW (Interim set-up)

Kerala

59. Cohin 6 kW, 10 kW
60. Cannaore 6 kW
61 Idukki 6 kW
62. Trivandram 10 kW
63. Calicut 10 kW

Madhya Pradesh

64. Balaghat 6 kW
65. Betul 6 kW
66. Chhindwara 6 kW
67. Guna 6 kW
68. Khandwa 6 kW

69. Sagar 6 kW
70. Shahdol 6 kW
71. Shivpuri 6 kW
72. Bhopal 6 kW
73. Indore 6 kW
74. Jabalpur 10 kW
75. Mandla 1 kW
76. Rajgarh 3 kW

Maharashtra

77. Mumbai 5 kW, 10 kW
78. Ahemednagar 6 kW
79. Akola 6 kW
80. Beed 6 kW
81. Chanderpur 6 kW
82. Dhule 6 kW
83. Nanded 6 kW
84. Nasik 6 kW
85. Osmanabad 6 kW
86. Satara 6 kW
87. Yavatmal 6 kW
88. Kolhapur 6 kW
89. Nagpur 6 kW
90. Pune 6 kW

Manipur

91. Imphal 10 kW

Meghalaya

92. Jowai 6 kW

Mizoram

93. Lungleh 6 kW

Nagaland

94. Mokokchung 6 kW

Orissa

95. Berhampur 6 kW
96. Bolangir 6 kW
97. Puri 3 kW
98. Rourkela 6 kW
99. Cuttack 6 kW

Punjab

100. Bhatinda 6 kW
101. Patiala 6 kW
102. Jalandhar 10 kW

Rajasthan

103. Alwar 6 kW
104. Banswara 6 kW
105. Chittorgarh 6 kW
106. Jhalawar 6 kW
107. Nagaur 6 kW
108. Swaimadhopur 6 kW
109. Churu 6 kW
110. Jaisalmer 10 kW

111. Mt. Abu 6 kW
112. Jodhpur 6 kW
113. Jaipur 6 kW

Tamil Nadu

114. Chennai 5 kW, 10 kW
115. Nagercoil 10 kW
116. Kodaikanal 10 kW
117. Coimbatore 10 kW
118. Tiruchirapalli 10 kW

Tripura

119. Belonia 6 kW
120. Kailashahar 6 kW
121. Agartala 10 kW

Union Territory

122. Daman 3 kW
123. Karaikal 6 kW
124. Chandigarh 6 kW
125. Portblair 10 kW

Uttar Pradesh

126. Bareilly 6 kW
127. Faizabad 6 kW
128. Jhansi 6 kW
129. Obra 6 kW
130. Aligarh 6 kW
131. Lucknow 10 kW
132. Allahabad 10 kW

Uttaranchal

133. Mussoorie 10 kW

West Bengal

134. Calcutta 5 kW, 10 kW
135. Murshidabad 6 kW
136. Asansole 6 kW
137. Siliguri 10 kW
138. Shantiniketan 3 kW

Annexure-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 72 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.7.2005

List of New FM Transmitters Yet to be Installed in X PLAN(113 nos.)

I. New FM Stations - 73 Nos.

Andhra Pradesh

1. Kakinada 10 kW

2. Karimnagar 5 kW

3. Srikakulam 1 kW

4. Nellore 10 kW

5. Mahboobnagar 10 kW
6. Suryapet 10 kW

Arunachal Pradesh

7 Anini 1 kW

8. Bomdila 1 kW

9. Daporijo 1 kW
10. Changlang 1 kW
11. Khonsa 1 kW

Assam

12. Karimganj 1/5 kW
13. Lumding 1/5 kW
14. Golpara 1/5 kW

Bihar

15. Gaya 10 kW
16. Motihari 10 kW
17. Banka 10 kW
18. Madhubani 10 kW

Chhattisgarh

19. Dantewara 5 kW
20. Rajnandgaon 5 kW
21. Jashpurnagar 5 kW
22. Baikunthpur 5 kW

Gujarat

23. Jamnagar 10 kW
24. Junagarh 10 kW

Haryana

25. Ambala 5 kW

Jharkhand

26. Dhanbad 10 kW
27. Dumka 5 kW
28. Gumla 5 kW

Karnataka

29. Sringeri 10 kW
30. Bellary 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)

Kerala

31. Konni 5 kW

Madhya Pradesh

32. Ujjain 5 kW

Maharashtra

33. Shirdi 5 kW
34. Oras 5 kW
35. Amravati 10 kW

Manipur

36. Tamenglang 1/5 kW
37. Ukhrul 1/5 kW

Meghalaya

38. Dawki 1/5 kW

Mizoram

39. Champhai 1/5 kW
40. Tuipang 1/5 kW
41. Kolasib/Sarchip 1/5 kW

Nagaland

42. Phek 1 kW
43. Zunheboto 1 kW
44. Wokha 1 kW

Orissa

45. Deogarh 5 kW
46. Raygada 5 kW
47. Rairangpur 1/5 kW
48. Parlakimidi 5 kW

Punjab

49. Fazilka 10 kW
50. Amritsar 20 kW

Rajasthan

51. Ramgarh 20 kW
52. Chautan Hill 20 kW

Tamil Nadu

53. Kanchipuram 5 kW

Tripura

54. Udaipur 1/5 kW
55. Nutan Bazar 1/5 kW
56. Longtherai 5 kW

Uttar Pradesh

57. Gazipur 10 kW
58. Banda 10 kW
59. Lakhimpur Khiri 10 kW

Uttaranchal

60. Dehradu n 10 kW
61 Haldwani 10 kW
62. Bhageshwar 5 kW
63. Champwat 1 kW
64. Gairsen 1 kW
65. Rudraprayag 1 kW
66. New Tehri 1 kW

West Bengal

67. Darjeeling 10 kW
68. Purulia 10 kW
69. Maldah 10 kW
70. Kochbihar 10 kW
71. Bardhaman 10 kW
72. Tamluk 5 kW
73. Balurghat 10 kW

II Additional FM Channel at Existing Stations - 26 nos.

Andhra Pradesh

1. Hyderabad 10 kW

Arunachal Pradesh

2. Itanagar 10 kW

Assam

3. Silchar 5 kW

4. Guwahati 10 kW

Bihar

5. Patna 10 kW

Chandigarh

6. Chandigarh 10 kW

Chattisgarh

7. Raipur 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)

Gujarat

8. Bhuj 10 kW

9. Ahmedabad 10 kW

Haryana

10. Rohtak 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

Himachal Pradesh

11. Shimla 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)

J&K

12. Srinagar 10 kW

Jharkhand

13. Ranchi 10 kW

Karnataka

14. Gulbarga 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

Kerala

15. Trivandrum 10 kW

Madhya Pradesh

16. Bhopal 10 kW

Nagaland

17. Kohima 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

Orissa

18. Bhawani Patna 10 kW

Rajasthan

19. Udaipur 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)
20. Bikaner 10 kW
21. Ajmer 10 kW

Sikkim

22. Gangtok 10 kW

Tamil Nadu

23. Tirunelvelli 10 kW
24. Madurai 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

Uttar Pradesh

25. Gorakhpur 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

Pondicherry

26. Pondicherry 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)

III Replacement of existing MW Transmitters by FM Transmitters -14 nos.

Andhra Pradesh

1. Adilabad 10 kW

2. Vijaywada 10 kW

Delhi

3. Delhi 20 kW

Maharashtra

4. Aurangabad 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx ready)

5. Sholapur 10 kW

Nagaland

6. Tuensang 5 kW

7 Mon 5 kW

Orissa

8. Bhubaneswar 10 kW
9 Baripada 5 kW

Punjab

10. Jalandhar 10 kW

Rajasthan

11. Jaipur 10 kW

Uttar Pradesh

12. Varanasi 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)
13. Kanpur 10 kW(Interim set-up with 1 kW FM Tx commissioned)
14. Lucknow 10 kW